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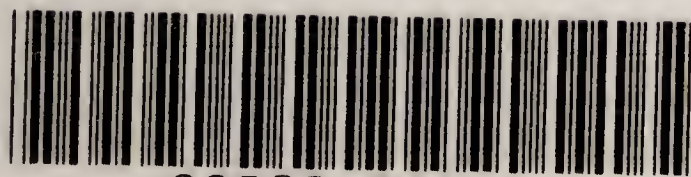
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SILAS MAINEVILLE BURROUGHS, PH.G.

Silas Maineville Burroughs, Ph.G., Class of 1877, was born in Medina, N. Y., in 1850, and died at Monte Carlo on Wednesday, February 6, 1895, of pneumonia, aged 45 years.

He received his early education in his native State, after which he entered the employ of Mr. E. T. Coann, at Albion, N. Y., as an apprentice to the drug business, remaining two years, and afterwards held positions in the drug stores of T. J. Chadwick, Lockport, N. Y., and S. H. T. Champlen, of Buffalo, N. Y. He came to Philadelphia and attended the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy with Dr. E. P. Healy as his preceptor, and passed the examinations in March, 1877, number 22 in his class. His thesis was entitled, "Compression of Medicinal Powders." After his graduation he represented the firm of John Wyeth & Bros. for many years, and left the firm to establish himself in business in London, England.

His business career, as is well known, was characterized by untiring energy, and with a determination to succeed, no matter what obstacle might seemingly arise to interpose.

A few years ago he associated himself with Henry S. Wellcome, Ph.G., Class of 1874, under the firm name of Burroughs, Wellcome & Co., of which he was the senior member. With the aid of Mr. Wellcome, he established a very large and lucrative business, not only in Great Britain, Europe and America, but in all the British colonies of Asia, Australia and Africa.

He was well known throughout the pharmaceutical globe, having made two trips around the world, visiting all the prominent centres of pharmacy in each country.

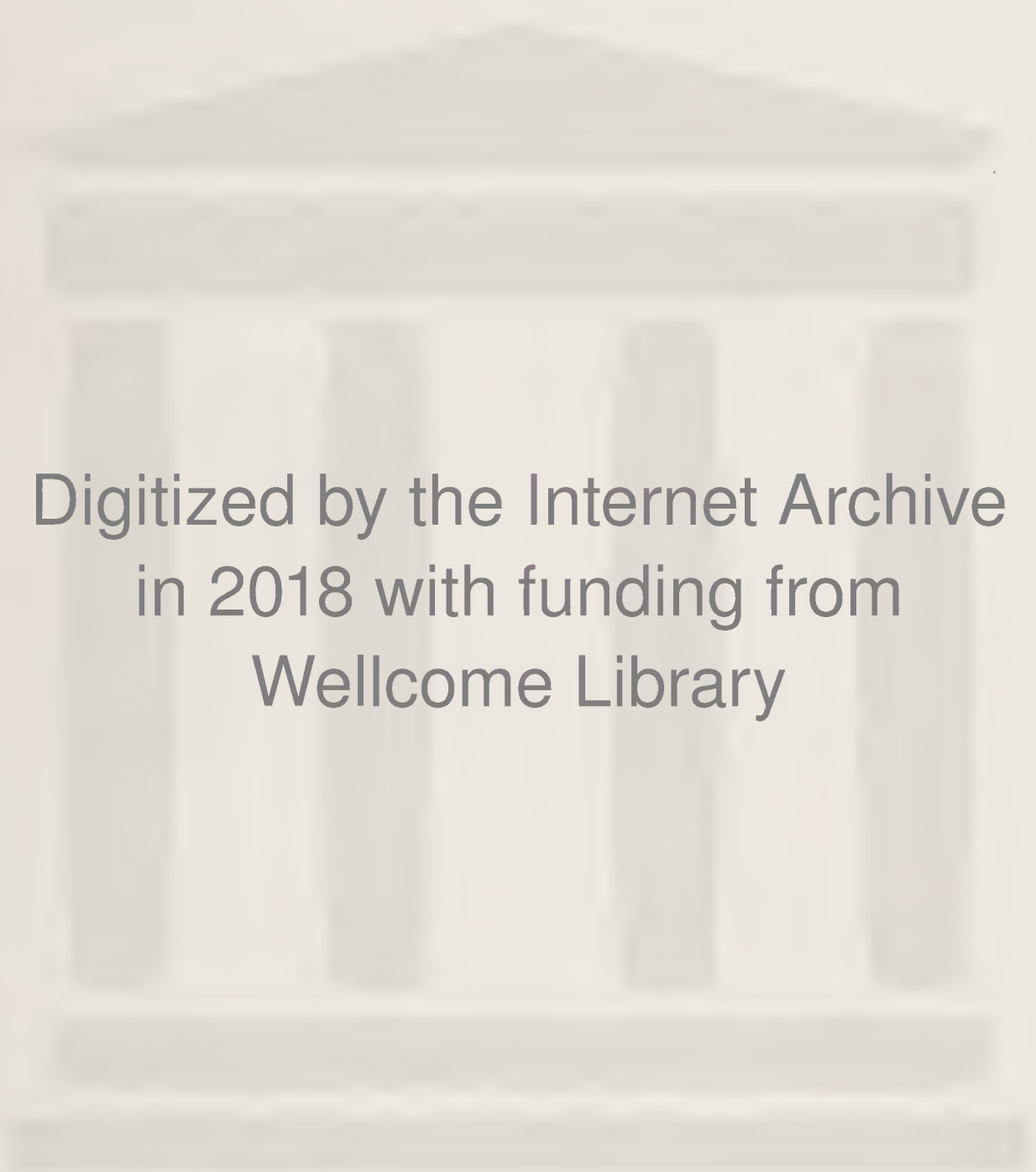
He was a man of very liberal ideas and broad-minded views upon political matters, particularly the "Single Tax." Notwithstanding many differed from him in his extreme views, he was respected and honored for his straightforward manliness and courage, and for the honesty of his convictions.

His friendship was greatly appreciated by those who knew him best, for he was a man of generous heart, and had a sympathizing nature. Our Alumni Association has lost one of its most able and progressive members, one with whom it was an honor to be associated, as was attested at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association, held on Monday afternoon, April 15, 1895, when Prof. Joseph P. Remington, after making a few feeling remarks in reference to the great loss our Association and the pharmaceutical cause had sustained, offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted, viz.:

"WHEREAS, The Alumni Association of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy have heard with feelings of profound sorrow of the death of Silas Maineville Burroughs, Ph.G., of London, Eng.; be it therefore

"*Resolved*, That in the death of our fellow-member, while bowing in submission to the Divine will, we deeply deplore the loss of one who labored so assiduously for the benefit of his fellow-man, and although his voice will never more be raised in our midst, his example will ever be cherished as full of encouragement and help for every member of this Association.

"*Resolved*, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the family of our deceased member, and also to his business partner and fellow-alumnus, Henry



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S. Wellcome, Ph.G., and that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to them."

W. E. K.

FREDERICK BROWN, Ph.G.

Frederick Brown, Ph.G., Class 1861, was born in Philadelphia, December —, in 1837, died suddenly at his summer residence, which was built by his father, in 1848, in Burlington, N. J., on Tuesday morning, September 25, 1894, of pneumonia, in his fifty-seventh year.

He was the eldest son of Frederick and Charlotte Augusta Hoppin Brown. His father was born in 1796, and was the original manufacturer of Brown's Jamaica Ginger, and founded the business in 1822, at the northeast corner of Fifth and Chestnut Streets (the old stand which was universally known as the "War Office," because of the building being used by the war department during the Presidency of Washington and Adams).

Frederick Brown, Jr., received his education first at the Episcopal Academy and afterwards at the University of Pennsylvania. After his early education was finished he entered his father's store and learned the drug business, and attended the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, graduating with the Class of 1861, and after graduation he continued in his father's store for a short time; but being desirous of conducting a store of his own, he shortly afterwards rented a store on the southeast corner of Ninth and Chestnut Streets, under the Continental Hotel, and opened up business for himself. He remained here about two years, or until 1864, when he gave it up and re-entered the store of his father, who died a month later, when he inherited the business. He made many improvements in the store, and continued the business until 1889, when he removed the store to 127 South Fourth Street, and in 1890, desiring to devote his entire time to the manufacture of the essence of Jamaica Ginger, he sold the store to Charles G. Dodson, Ph.G., Class of 1859, who had been associated with him in the management of the drug portion of the business since the death of his father. Mr. Brown was then free to devote himself to the manufacture of his preparation, which he had been doing for some time previous, and with which his name had been identified.

In June, 1865, he married Miss J. E. Wills, of New Haven, Conn., who survives him, with three sons and a daughter.

Mr. Brown was not a society man, but preferring to spend his unoccupied time from business with his family in the house.

He was connected with St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church, Eighth Street above Spruce, and was one of the vestrymen at the time of his decease. He was also President of the Laurel Hill Cemetery Company, of which his father was one of the founders.

His funeral services were held on Friday afternoon, September 28th, at St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church, and was largely attended by his many friends.

He was a member of the Alumni Association of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.

W. E. K.

